

came back
to me.

memories of
something I had
left behind

When I first
saw him,

I wonder
why.





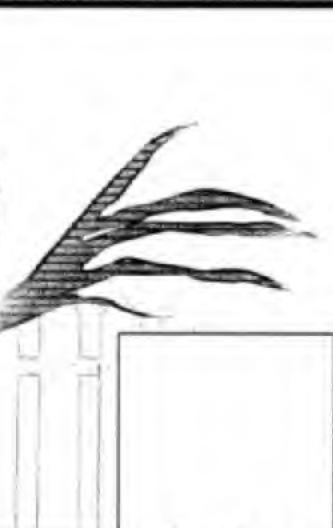
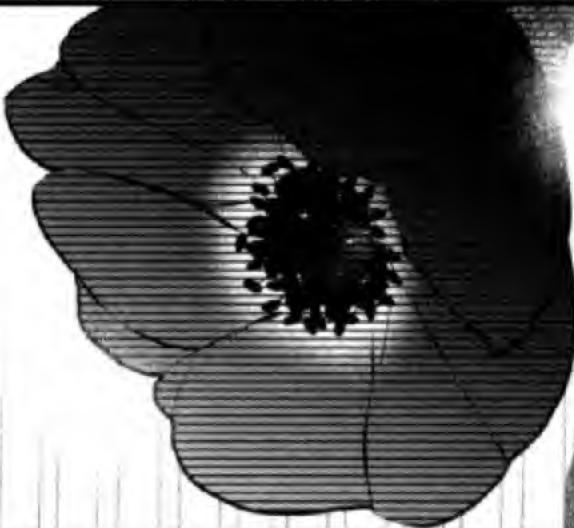


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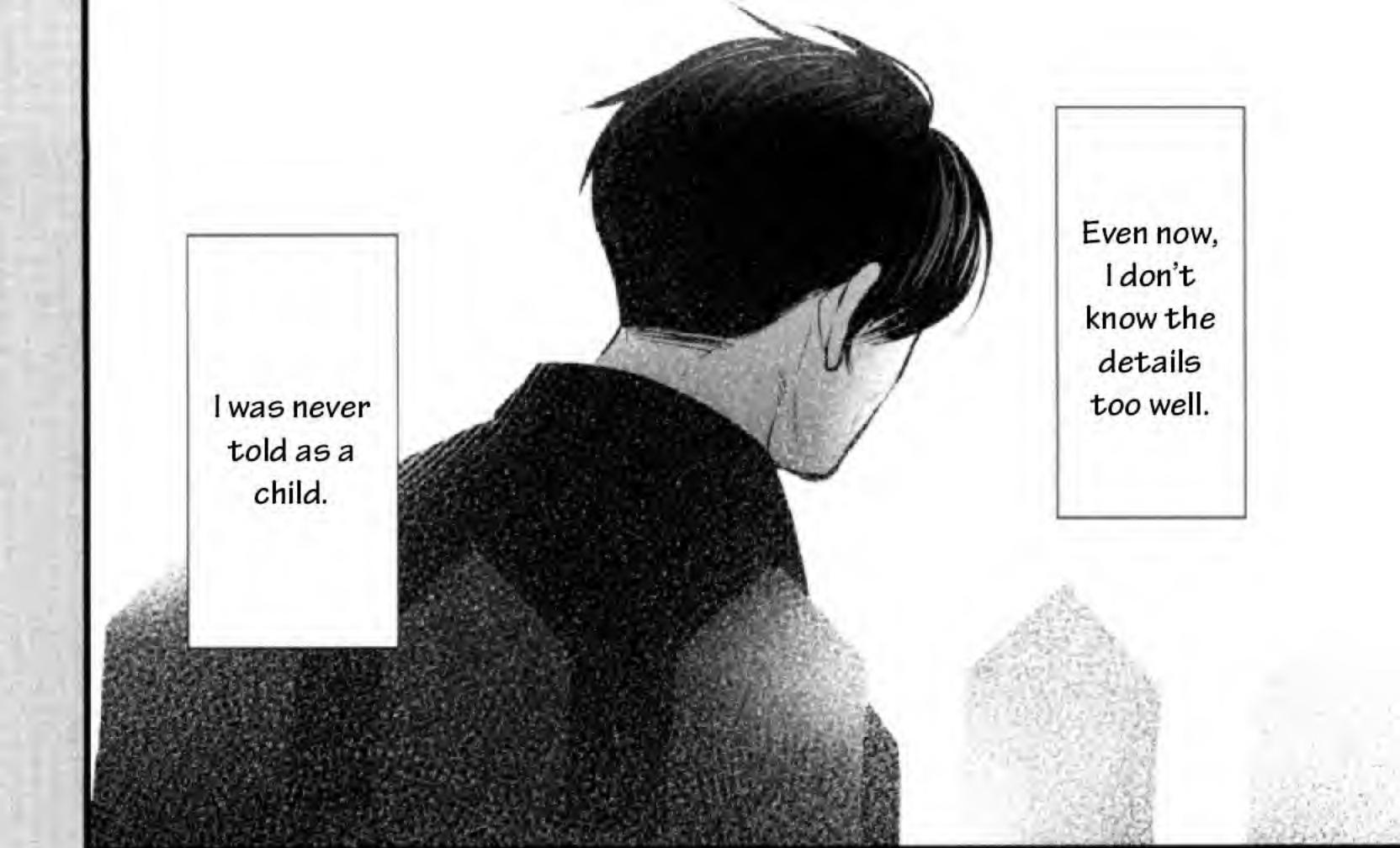




On that
day,



I wasn't
woken up
by a good
morning
kiss.



I was never told as a child.

Even now, I don't know the details too well.



there was no need.



she never told me that my father was never going to come home,



Even though









Next door,
there was a
petulant
young girl
around my
age.



This
pre-loved
home
became
my new
home.



Having a room to myself was great, but I couldn't bring myself to say that I liked it more than our old house.

IT SEEMS DULL RIGHT NOW BUT ONCE WE ATTACH SOME WALLPAPER, IT WILL BRIGHTEN UP.

FROM NOW ON, THIS WILL BE YOUR ROOM.

AND LOOK AT THIS!

THE DOOR HAS A LOCK!
EVEN IF A GHOST COMES ALONG, YOU'LL BE FINE!

REALLY?

IF A GHOST COMES ALONG, I'LL KARATE CHOP THEM!





LET'S DO
OUR BEST
TOGETHER.

ANGEL.

MOM'S GOING
TO DO HER
BEST, SO
THAT'S WHY

IF YOU FEEL
LONELY, YOU
CAN SLEEP
WITH ME.

THINGS THAT ARE GONE WILL NEVER COME BACK.

There was
nothing
from the
old house
there.

I'M GOING TO
PROTECT YOU.
I WILL MAKE UP
FOR WHAT DAD
WILL NEVER
GIVE YOU.



Sleeping in a bed alone was foreign and uncomfortable.





Anybody
would have
restless
nights.



The heavy, intense roar of the music drowned out the noise in my mind.

But mom called it 'The Devil's Music'.

I found my cure in rock.

DUDE, WE LUCKED OUT! CHECK IT OUT, IT'S LUCY!



Check them out, they're super cool!

'Queens of The Stone Age'? The hell is this?

My neighbour hadn't changed - she was still wearing her lace and frills.

Oh, that's right.

ENJOY YOUR SUMMER VACATION, EVERYONE. I HOPE THAT YOU WILL STAY SAFE AND BE REFRESHED FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.

THIS IS THE LAST CLASS THAT I WILL BE TEACHING YOU ALL TODAY.



12
years
old,
end of
sem-
ester.



SO WHAT?
WHY WOULD I
CARE?

HE'S
MOVING TO
ANOTHER
STATE OR
SOMETHING.

WELL,

YOU
LIKED HIM,
DIDN'T
YOU?

YOU
LOOKED
SAD.

Sometimes,
Lucy's intuition
was
frighteningly
good.

!





I'LL DO ANYTHING.











I don't know when I began to diverge from the normal path.

THAT'S NOT IT.

HUH?
DID YOU THINK I WAS A BAD PERSON?

When my
father left
me?

When I began
relying on
rock?

When Lucy
found out?

When I moved
into this
house?

When I lent
her the CD?

If rumours about my
sexuality spread
around school, the
news definitely would
have reached my
mother's ears. I
would be in some
facility somewhere,
in the middle of
some treatment to
'cure' my sexuality.

Anyway,



I was
lucky.

ANGEL!

...MN.

ANGEL!
WAKE UP
RIGHT
NOW!

...IS IT ALREADY
MORNING? I
NEED FIVE MORE
MINUTES...
WHAT'S WITH
THIS HARD
PILLOW?

push



I'M AWAKE,
I'M AWAKE!
DIDN'T I TELL
YOU TO
ALWAYS
KNOCK
BEFORE
COMING IN?!

ANGEL! JUST
HOW LONG
DO YOU PLAN
TO SLEEP
FOR?!

GOSH!
I'M
COMING
IN!

CRAP!

rustle







If I didn't,
I wouldn't
have met
Lucy. And
I wouldn't
have been
able to
meet
someone
else.





'YOUR FACE
LOOKS
FAMILIAR.', I
TOLD HIM...
IT WAS THIS...

hahaha



Because of
something
I'd lost a long
time ago,
I was able
to meet you.

FOR ME



IT'S
FRIO.

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